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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)

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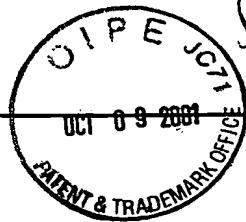
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Invention:

INTERNET BILLING



TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 FR 1.27 is enclosed.

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Further to receipt of an International Preliminary Examination Report mailed on June 26, 2001 in the international application, kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel claims 1-34.

Kindly add the following claims:

88.(New) A method of pre-paid Internet access, comprising:

accessing an Internet using an anonymous prepaid account, which access deducts from a balance of said account; and

performing one or more activities not directly related to an issuer of said account and at most indirectly related, while connected to said Internet, which activities incidentally modify said balance additionally to said accessing, which activities are other than a requesting by an accessor of said account to transfer funds to said account from another account.

89.(New) A method according to claim 88, wherein said one or more activities increase said balance.

90.(New) A method according to claim 89, wherein said one or more activities comprise accessing a particular site.

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